UNEPLOYMENT PROBLEM—SCHEMES REGARDING

144. Mr. M. I. Paul *(Narakkal):* Will Government be pleased to state whether there is at present any scheme before the Government to solve the problem of unemployment in the State; and if so, what?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Food and Education):* Government have not framed any scheme solely to solve the problem of unemployment. They have launched a scheme of public works throughout the State with the main object of providing employment to the State subjects. In addition Government are taking vigorous steps to assist State-wide industrialisation.

2. NO-CONFIDENCE MOTION AGAINST THE MINISTRY

Mr. President: This is the motion of no-confidence from Mr. P. Govinda Menon.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Ernakulam):* But I have said that it is a no-confidence motion against the Ministry; but after handing over the paper, I understand that one of the Ministers has resigned. I request I may be enlightened on that matter.

Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar *(Prime-Minister):* No, it is a misunderstanding.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Sir, is the House to take it that the Hon'ble Minister for Food and Education, who is fortunately or unfortunately not in his seat, has not submitted a written and signed resignation letter of his to the Hon'ble Prime Minister, yesterday before 11 o'clock.

Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar *(Prime Minister):* Sir, I have already stated that the Hon'ble Minister for Food and Education has not resigned.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* I should like to know, Sir,—we must be on clarer grounds—has not the Hon'ble Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon tendered his typed and signed resignation and placed it into the hands-physical-of the Premier before 11 o'clock yesterday?

Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar *(Prime Minister):* Sir, am I bound to answer it again?

Mr. President: It is a matter of formal and private information. The question is whether the Hon'ble Mr. Balakrishna Menon has tendered his resignation and the answer is there—whether it is a typed letter or not is not our concern.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* So that information is not to be divulged especially when the Opposition places a motion of no confidence against the Ministry.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Ernakulam):* Sir, I have submitted the written notice of the motion. The procedure may be followed.

Mr. President: So the Hon'ble Member asks for leave to move the motion. Now the motion is this-"This House has no confidence in the present ministry" and now the Hon'ble Members who support this motion will kindly stand up.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Ernakulam):* Sir, the question to be put is.....

Mr. President: This is the first time I am dealing with a no-confidence motion.

Mr: P. Govinda Menon *(Ernakulam):* Under the Rules in order that a motion of no confidence must be admitted, 20 members must stand up. The motion which the Chair has to put is whether I have leave of the House to move the motion of no confidence.

Mr. President: Yes. The present query will be whether there is leave of the House for the motion being allowed.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Ernakulam):* The motion itself will come up for discussion later.

Mr. President: Those Hon'ble Members who are in favour of leave being granted to this motion may please rise up. As 22 members have stood up leave is granted. The next item is fixing a day for discussion. Why not we have it on Friday.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Ernakulam):* Sir, if possible it may be tomorrow.

Mr.President: Any other suggestion left to the House?

Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated):* Friday.

Mr. President: Yes, Friday morning. It can be taken up on Friday morning, that is after questions and answers. Otherwise the questions and answers will suffer. What is the precedent in the matter?

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Revenue):* I remember, Sir, last time when a no confidence was passed, it was moved after questions and answers. So the same procedure may be adopted this time also.

Mr. President: May I take it that the House agree that it can be taken up after questions and answers at 12-30 on Friday.

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